(2) All JMGS-I Officers once posted as Field Officers/Accountants and thereafter and such of those Cash Officers in JMGS-I who are posted in branches where no Field Officer is posted;

(3) Specialist Officers in JMGS-I, if officers in the General Banking Cadre having the same seniority as them have been posted as Accountant/Field Officer in the Circle.

The SBI has further reported that it cannot provide the facility of re-imbursement of entertainment expenditure to all officers irrespective of their designations in JMG Scale-I, as all officers in JMGS-I are not required in the effective performance of their functions to incur expenses on entertainment.

Unrest in banking industry over wage revision

3012. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a great unrest amongst the workmen in the banking industry over the inordinate delay in the revision of their wages;

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay and the reaction of Government to the unrest; and

(c) the steps taken to direct the I.B.A. to arrive at amicable settlement with the Workmen's Union on revision of their wages?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Indian Banks' Association (IBA) has reported that the wages of the workmen staff in the banking industry were revised by a settlement with the workmen unions on 14th February, 1995. However, the workmen unions later raise a dispute alleging that the officers were given a better pay package compared to award staff employees. A Fact Finding Committee was appointed by IBA to find out the facts relating to the dispute, which submitted its Report on 3.5.1996. Efforts are afoot by IBA to arrive at a solution and several rounds of discussions have already been held by them with the Workmen Unions to resolve the issue.

Liberalising regulations for non-banking finance companies by RBI

3013. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether RBI has recently liberalised regulations for non-banking finance companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such a step of Government will not effect adversely on nationalised banks and other Government financial companies; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have announced on 24th July, 1996, liberalisation/rationalisation measures, for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs). These measures, interalia, include freeing of interest rate ceiling on deposits and the removal of ceiling on quantum of deposits for NBFCs which fully comply with the RBI's directions and guidelines.

The impact of the liberalised regulations on nationalised banks and other Government Financial Companies can be ascertained only after a period of time.

Allotment of Quarters to Nurses of AIIMS

3014. SHRI JOY NADUKKARA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of married and unmarried nurses in AIIMS;

(b) whether it is a fact that 366 Type-III quarters were constructed in 1978-79 for married nurses but not allotted in full to them;

(c) whether it is also a fact that 192 Type-II quarters were constructed in 1984—86 with an understanding that 60% of these quarters will be allotted to married nurses but not a single quarter was allotted to them;

(d) whether it is also a fact that 200 Type-III quarters are ready but these are not being allotted to nurses; and

(e) the steps likely to be taken by Government to allot these quarters to the nurses?